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TKS Mining Company  
333 South Broadway  
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Gentlemen:

RE: Avalanche 13 Mine, INA/037/033, San Juan County, Utah

It is our understanding that you plan to reopen the Avalanche 13 Mine on the Manti-LaSal National Forest. Normally, the Division of Oil, Gas, & Mining (DOGM) would require that you file a Notice of Intent with us, as well as the one that you are required to submit to the United States Forest Service (U.S.F.S.). At the present time, due to recent legislature changes, the Division is drafting new rules and forms for the small mining operation category (small mining operations are defined as mining operations which disturb or will disturb five or less surface acres at any given time). It will be simpler to wait until these new rules and forms are finalized, and have you file with us at that time.

It is anticipated that the Notice of Intent for small mines will be two pages in length and will not require Division bonding or formal approval by the Division. Reclamation requirements will be general in nature and should be consistent with U.S.F.S. requirements.

We will send you the small mining operation form and rules when they are approved. Please notify us if you should have a change of address or if mining should exceed five acres in surface disturbance. We wish you best of luck in your Utah mining operations.

Sincerely,

Frank J. Filas  
Reclamation Engineer

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cc: Lowell Braxton, Administrator  
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